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Voluntger and Paid Fire Departments.

The advantages to be derived from a volunteer or paid Fire Department, have been discussed and commented upon to so great an extent and with such force and ability by the press throughout the United States and in many European cities, that but very little is left to advance for or against either system. It has been urged, and with considerable effect, that in cities where the population is not numerous, and the requirements of a Department not frequently called into requisition, a volunteer system is advantageous whereas on the other hand, in large and more densely populated cities, where danger from fire is increased, and where a greater quantity of fire apparatus is required for the safety of the buildings, a paid system is preferable, for the reason that it serves to check an undue expenditure on a branch of the civil government which at all times is sufficiently heavy. Experience, however, has clearly demonstrated that in several instances the paid system has been established solely for the purpose of making capital of two kinds for interested parties in the shape of "votes and money." The practical business man, having a knowledge of facts and figures, and a proper idea of the value of material, is never found advancing the merits of a paid system over that of a volunteer, but the advocacy of the scheme is wholy confined to the unscrupulous politician who, under the specious garb of economy and philanthropy, forces himself into office for the purpose of robbing his constituents afterwards. The Solons of the Athens of America—Boston—came to the conclusion several years since, in consequence of a slight disturbance that occurred in the Department, that it would be better to abolish the volunteer system and establish a paid Department, hoping thereby to hold the members under their absolute control, and save a large amount of money at the same time. Rules and regulations of the most stringent character were put in force, and every dollar expended on the Department in the way of salaries or incidental expenses, was carefully scrutinized before leaving the hands of the financial agent. And what is the result? The men composing the Department have, when occasion required their services, responded as their leisure and convenience suited. Fires occurred more frequently and disastrous, and the expenses increased, until we find in the Auditor's Report presented last December, the expense of maintaining the paid Fire Department of the City of Boston, comprised of thirteen Fire Engine Companies, amounted to the trifling little sum of *ninety seven thousand two hundred and sixty four dollars and twenty five cents.* The citizens, as a matter of course, are loud in their complaint at so enormous a tax, and say they will not submit to it any longer. Already there are signs of the breaking up of the paid companies, and the feasibility of giving each company a small but sufficient appropriation to pay its current expenses is agitated. From indications that have already been given, the volunteer system will ere long be again established in Boston. In New Orleans, where a difficulty lately occured between the Fire Department and the Common Council, of so serious a nature that it led to the disbandonment of the former, the latter have made a contract for five years at one hundred thousand dollars per year for the extinguishment of all fires, care of the apparatus and the working of them being fifty two thousand dollars more per annum than that expended on the volunteer system — Much uneasiness is felt by the citizens of New Orleans, that in case of a serious conflagration the new system will be found to be inoperative. In Syracuse, New York, the paid system works miserably. It is true the expense is not very heavy, twelve thousand dollars per annum, but large fires are constantly occuring there. One took place on the 5th of January in which property to the amount of two hundred thousand dollars was destroyed. Other instances might be cited to show that the prevailing idea that a paid Department is beneficial is fallacious. A Department based upon such a foundation may work well for a while, but unless there is something more than the pittance its members receive to inspire them to a prompt fulfillment of their duties, its decline will be sure to follow. A good active Fire Department must have inscribed upon its banner "voluntary aid." and be independent of all outside influences and interference. If paid, the men only think of their money, and but very little care or consideration is given to the work to be performed. Under the volunteer system, the members of a Fire Department have reputation, honor and fame to attain, a spirit of emulation actuates them to be prompt to respond to the well known call upon them, whereas under the paid system, the fact of being distanced in running to a fire, and being beaten in getting water upon it, makes no impression. No disgrace can possibly be connected with it. They are working for just so much, and as long as they give a *quid pro quo*, time or achievement, is but an after consideration. In San Francisco the paid system can never be introduced. There is no necessity for it. The heaviest expenses of the Department have already been met. Under its present laws, it stands as firm as the rock of adamant. Divorced as it is from the Common Council, no political influence can be brought to bear upon it to endanger its usefulness and unity, the regulations presented by its representatives are of such a nature, that all men within the organization take an interest in sustaining them.—With such a state of affairs existing in our midst, an expression of opinion upon the subject matter of this article, is entirely disinterested, except so far that a sympathetic feeling for firemen throughout the Union induces an utterance of sentiment antagonistic to the paid system, as connected with Fire Departments believing that it takes away that character for chivalry, honor, courage and disinterestedness which should distinguish true Firemen. It will be a gratifying change when paid Departments throughout the Union are abolished.

Robert S. Dixon, a councilman elect, was knocked down in New York by the tongue of fire machine; the wheels passed over his body and injured his spine; he was not expected to survive.

The mammoth California tree, which has been exhibited several months in New York, was destroyed by fire in the stable in which it was stored. It was valued at $7000.

We take the following from the New Orleans *Crescent*:

THE DEAF AND DUMB FIREMAN.—Of the few who have recently proved themselves firemen to the backbone—in other words, those of the old volunteer firemen who have continued to battle their ancient enemy since the withdrawal of the old organization from active service—it gives us pleasure to place in the front rank, our old friend, and everybody's friend, M. D. Phillips, Esq., familiarly known to a large portion of the community as "Dummy." It is well known that Dummy never spoke a word, nor heard a sound in all his life; yet he is the model fireman of the city, having been a member of Volunteer Company No. 1, for twenty one years, and so very punctual a member too, that in the last six years, he has missed attendance at only three fires!

Dummy has long been an exempt fireman; but the honor has only been a nominal one—he never once availed himself of its privileges. Dummy was a volunteer when the old organization hung their harps on the willows—or rather left their machines beneath the sycamores in Lafayette Square—a week or two since, but that was nothing to Dummy. Dummy very naturally said nothing, and went about his other duties, without betraying a particle of excitement; but when the fire broke out on last Saturday night, Dummy expressed his sentiments in a very unmistakable manner. He was among the first on the ground, and held the pipe for one of the first streams played upon the blazing buildings. His service was material, too, for the engines were in the hands of inexperienced amateurs, who made slow work in comparison to the old volunteers who stood jeering around. Dummy, however, on that occasion had one enviable advantage, he did not hear the shouts, groans, and epithets, that so seriously worried his patriotic co-laborers. At the fire of Wednesday, Dummy of course was on hand.

The fact is, Dummy is an out and out fireman—a fireman upon the abstract merits of Water versus Fire. All side issues—such as disputes about first water, time on the road, supremacy to other companies, denunciation of the Young America, pecuniary difficulties, squabbles with the corporation, and other excitements, which are meat and drink to the great mass of firemen, are but chaff to Dummy. Should he take the trouble to go into these things with his little slate, and get at the bottom of them all, he would doubtless write in reply what Coldstream would say—"nothing in it."

Some may ask, how can a deaf and dumb man like Dummy be so excellent a fireman. We answer, in the first place, that he is a striking illustration of that kind ordering of Providence, which atones for the loss of some of the senses in a human being, by the quickening of those senses which remain. Dummy has naturally an active acute intellect; in his youth, language as written and read, was instilled into his mind by a laborious process, and he is now master of it for all practical purposess. His vision is so extraordinarily acute and all-embracing, that aided by the intuitive quickness of his brain, he comprehends superficial matters in one fourth the time that ordinary mortals do with all the advantages of speech and hearing. Consequently, Dummy sees an alarm of fire before a great many hear it, that is, in the day time, or before he goes to bed. If he be asleep, the mother and sisters that he supports and protects, arouse him at the first tap of the bell; not that they are particularly interested in putting out fires, but because Dummy has little temper in the matter of missing fires, and is altogether too good a son and brother to be cheated out of his darling excitement.

It is curious how Dummy can be so good a fireman, and never hear anything or have anything to say; but it is still more curious to know how he gets along in other capacities, in which to everybody else, sound is the most essential requisite. Who would think, in admiring the manœuvers of this gallant company, the Horse Guards, that the man who sits the most erect in his saddle, manages his steed with most grace, or ever makes a baulk of any kind in that exercise which others find it so hard to master, is our deaf and dumb friend Dummy? Yet it is so. If you should ever by any mischance get into the First District lock up, and should learn that the smiling turnkey was deaf and dumb, you would instinctively suppose that your chances of escape to be better than under another turnkey, would'nt you? You would be awfully mistaken though; for Dummy's eyes are better than forty pairs of ordinary ears. A prisoner never yet gave him the slip. And if you should go to a fireman's ball, and notice a prim gallant looking fellow, smiling and bowing to the ladies, apparently talking, gliding with them through the mazy quadrille, or whirling in the giddy waltz with all the grace and accuracy of the most finished votary of Terpsichore, you would be surprised, would'nt you, if you should see some one fire a pistol behind him, and see him pay no attention to it? Yet Dummy at a ball is just what we have deliniated, and is actually so deaf, that he cannot hear the firing of a pistol at his ear!

Dummy is altogether a great institution—a town feature. He has been sketched frequently before; but we think that should not prevent him from being referred to occasionally, as the years roll on.

From the *Despatch* we clip the following:

We learn that an effort will be made during the session of the next Legislature to re-enact what is known as the 'prize drill' law. This statute was in operation, if we remember aright, during the years 1850, '51 and '52, at which period the militia was in a much better condition, so far as the matter of drill is concerned, than at the present time. The revival of this regulation, somewhat modified, would induce a spirit of emulation which does not now exist, and without which volunteer corps are devoid of the magnet that recruits their ranks, and stimulates them to duty.

It is said that the new dragoon companies recently organized in the United States army, have been allowed to adopt a regular American cocked hat, ornamented with a brass eagle and a plume. Uncle Sam has a queer notion, occasionally, as well as other folks.

Letter from New York.

New York, Jan. 5, 1856.

Merry Christmas and happy New Year—let it rain or shine, Christmas day is a joyful one in this part of Christendom, perhaps it is because it is the first of the holidays—it is also a great day for making presents. The Germans make great preparations long before it arrives, for their Christmas tree, and Christ Child. The very beggar, up to the rich nabob, all wear a cheerful countenance—although it was one of the wettest, rawest, and darkest days of the season out of doors, still it did not prevent family reunions, or any anticipated pleasure.

THE FIVE POINTS

Were not behind the age. The Church of the Ascension had prepared a sumptuous dinner for the children of the house of Industry, and in addition to this they were all presented with new hats, cloaks, shoes &c.

THE LUNATICS

Also had a merry time on Christmas night, at their Asylum. A magnificent ball was got up for their gratification and enjoyment. Dancing by the way is tried every week, as much for their recovery as amusement, and proves to be quite beneficial in its effects.

THE COLORED FOLKS

On the same evening, the upper-ten darkies had a great ball at a house in Church street. The ball was no common-place affair, for there are as many grades of this complexion, as of whites, and as many places for dancing as grades The assemblage on this occasion was as well dressed and genteel as could possibly be found any where. The tickets were sold as high as ten dollars, and the company as select, and fashionably attired as broadcloth, jewelry and hoops could make them, (with not a few whites, fashion and tinsel is everything) almost each pair as they took their place for a cotillion, gave quite an amusing illustration of the difference of colored humanity. One tall gent of the darkest hue and wooliest pate, would have for a partner as light complexioned, genteel lass of graceful figure and hair almost straight, opposite perhaps in contra distinction would be a fine looking mulatto male, with a huge female of the blackest tint, neck and arms making no lean appearance out of a rich white satin, white kids and fan not among the missing.

CONCERTS.

The mania for these musical entertainments has been quite great lately, no less than six, being advertised for one week. Dodworth's new rooms next to Grace Church have been used for some of these soirees, they being better adapted for performances on the piano, like Gottchalk's, which have been received with great enthusiasm and applause, and are deserving of every encomium. Messrs. Mason & Bergman's day entertainments at these rooms, have been very popular. There has been quite a gathering of Glee Clubs at the Tabernacle, the concert consisted of about three hundred voices, (nearly all Germans.) Mrs Emma Gillingham Bostwick, (the well-known and esteemed vocalist and directress of Calvary Church,) lately gave a rich entertainment at Niblo's A Miss Brainerd, at the same place, has had considerable attraction—and last though not least, the newsboys in conjunction with the children of the five points mission, have been giving a good concert at the Tabernacle.

NEW THEATRE.

Miss Laura Keene has leased the new theatre erected by Mr. LaFarge, opposite Bond street, for a term of years, made some improvements by redecorating and changing the stage, and giving it the cognomen of 'Varieties,' instead of Metropolitan as before, its opening on Thursday evening, 27th Dec. was extremely encouraging, the crowd was suffocating. The box office had to be closed long before the time for commencing. The Company engaged is equal to any other establishment in this city, and the prospect is that she will make her theatre one of the most popular in New York.

ASTOR HOUSE CLUB.

This club gave their second annual ball, week before last at Niblo's saloon. The officers and employees of Messrs. Coleman & Stetson, (proprietors of the Astor house,) constitute the members of this club, all of whom were present, together with their numerous friends and invited guests. One of the most pleasing decorations to the ball room, was a large number of bird cages suspended from the music gallery, each one having a fine songster in. The dancing did not cease until 4 o'clock in the morning—the whole affair went off with great satisfaction.

NEW YEARS DAY.

The greatest day of the year to New Yorkers. In my digression an account of how the first day of January was kept this year must not be omitted—as usual it was one of the jolliest, merriest, funniest, maddest, gladdest imaginable, just enough snow for good sleighing, clear enough to be perfectly delightful, and mild enough to be quite comfortable. Young America was out in all his glory, with his cutter and tandem ponies, or he might be seen with a sleigh and four, and then again dashing away from one with his three minute nag. The ladies generally are first or foremost in their anticipations of New Years day. Their tables are all arranged with the greatest care and taste the night before, and the choicest silk, and whitest pair of gloves, are reserved for this occasion. This year however, the custom of receiving calls without refreshments prevailed to a greater extent than usual. As usual some tables would be loaded down with all the delicacies of this and every season, from turkey to sandwiches, old madeira to Adams ale. Fifth avenue was the greatest thoroughfare of the day, pedestrians as well as carriages and sleighs, one or more of which could be seen standing at almost every house.

FINANCIAL.

There was a tight squeeze for money, about the first of January; the day before the banks had their hands full to pay checks presented as preparation for the holidays, and the day after the business of paying the dividends, (which fell due on the first) could not be got through with in bank hours. The payments to be made were from $8,500,000 to $10,000,000. The stock market owing to the pressing demand for money at present, has sympathized to a partial extent, and a slight decline has been produced.

Another new bank which was talked of some time ago, is about being organized with a capital of $2,000,000. The subscription is already open with the directors, which have been appointed, and is payable in monthly instalments. Mr. R. W. Howes, of the firm of Howes Hyatt & Co., has been appointed President.

EVERETT.

NEW YORK, Jan. 9, 1856.

FASHIONS.

Fashions go from one extreme to another or they do not terminate until they arrive at an extreme, and then there is no alternative but the opposite. A year or two ago the gentlemen could not get the waists of their coats too long, or the skirts too short, but now it is the reverse, the waist is represented near the shoulders, and the skirt appear to have an affinity for the ground, like the dresses of the opposite sex which have for a long time made a clean sweep in the streets, and now they are making another tack by spreading them all around with hoops. The American ladies must wear them because the French haut ton wear them, and the haut ton wear them because the ladies of the French Court wear them. and the ladies of the French Court wear them because the Empress Eugenie expects to present the French Nation with an heir to the throne.

COUNTERFEITING.

The practice of forging bank notes, is not only growing more extensive, but the fraud is arriving at a great perfection. The most dangerous counterfeits lately have been five dollar notes on the Ocean Bank of this city. They are so well executed that many have not only been pronounced genuine by good judges of paper mony, but they have been taken at the bank itself as originals. Several lectures have been held at the Tabernacle describing the manner in which they are done, and the way to detect the spurious article.

FIREMAN'S CERTIFICATE.

This beautiful specimen of steel plate engraving just finished by Messrs Rawdon, Wright, Hatch & Edson, (Bank note engravers in the Exchange in Wall street,) for the Fire Department of San Francisco, has made its appearance in the window of Messrs. Williams, Stevens Williams & Co., on Broadway, and is a piece of work which every lover of fine art cannot help admiring. Nothing could be more appropriate for the purpose intended. And every citizen of San Francisco should feel proud of having set the meritorious and benevolent example of bestowing something as a reward of merit on the class which hazard their lives, not only for the lives, but even the fortunes and interests of others.

STROLLING MUSICIANS.

One cold snow stormy evening, about a week since, (and snow storms are not generally very warm in this part of the world,) on one of the South ferry boats, crossing to Brooklyn, two little girls, about twelve and fourteen (common looking, but comfortably dressed, for pleasant weather,) made their appearance in the cabin, in which I was sitting, ordinarily their appearance merely would not be strange, for they resembled the hundreds to be seen in all the daily throughfares, but the lateness of the hour, and the inclemency of the night prompted the thought what could call them out? they were not beggars, for they approached no one, and they were not in any distress, for they were cheerful and talkative but the imagination was soon relieved, for as soon as the boat started, the two separated one going into the after cabin; presently the tones of an accordeon could be heard issuing from under the shawl of the remaining one, which she accompanied with her voice, which was quite sweet. to the tune of Nelly Bly; at the conclusion every one was called upon for a contribution—as the boat neared the opposite shore, she struck into one of our favorite national airs, [Yankee Doodle] her partner was performing in the same way, for the benefit of those in the other cabin.

THE CARNIVAL.

If anything approaches this festival at Rome, it must be the present state of Broadway, in fact, all New York appears to have broken loose in one stream of merriment. Such sleighing has not been enjoyed here for years—the last snow has completely marbleized everywhere and everything. The cold is intense, and prevents the snow from wasting—some of the main streets are impassible from the quantity of snow thrown sidewalks, it being from four to eight feet high. Not a team has passed through Wall street from Exchange to Pearl street, since Saturday night. Everything that has runners is out—the stage sleighs represent the democracy, and look like moving mass meetings, some have carried as many as eighty to one hundred passengers. The tracks of the city rail-roads have been completely hidden from view, and the Mayor forbids the companies from clearing them, to the hindrance of vehicles, but some of the companies succeeded in removing the interdict—no little excitement was the consequence, for some of the stage companies covered the tracks as fast as the rail road folks could uncover them—public at present is in favor of sleighs. EVERETT.

Female politicians are very numerous at Washington. During a season of Congress they are particularly busy. Most of them come from the Southern and Western States—the wives or widows of M C's and government officers. Some of these ladies are admirably posted up in the political history of the country. They understand many of the tricks and trammels of legislation, and always find out the weak side of a new or doubtful member. As solicitors for office in behalf of friends they are indefatigable and irresistible.

THE BAD TASTE OF MOTHERS.—We see it stated that 'several children have recently received at the baptismal font the name of Hiawatha.' If some driveling fashionable poet would only make a hero of Beelzebub, and weave the name into senseless doggerel, every new-born mother's son in uppertendom would become a Beelzebub.

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Attention is called to the original article, Volunteer and Paid Fire Departments, on the outside.

The members of the Fire Department of this city, with a view to the permanency of the organization, appeal to the members of the Senate and Assembly at present in the Legislature from this city and county, not to interfere with the law passed April 30th 1855, affecting its government. The law in question, was after many weeks of arduous labor, presented to the members of the Board of Delegates for their sanction. It was taken up at special meetings convened solely for the purpose, section by section, discussed, debated and improved upon, and finally placed in such a shape, that it was adopted with a unanimity which never before distinguished that body. It was viewed as a perfect triumph of friendly feeling and love for the association over the existence of clique and faction. It became the action of the Department, unanimously, the Board being thoroughly endorsed and sustained. A Committee was selected to urge the passage of the law at Sacramento, and after a patient investigation as to its merits by our Legislators, the same was accomplished, and the law went into effect on the day above named, much to the gratification of every member of the Department. It is a fact which cannot be controverted, that there is no society or association extant, for whose guidance a law is to be framed, which demands more care in its construction than that for a Fire Department. And where a law is in operation which meets the united approval of a Department, like that of this city, composed as it is of members from all portions of the world, with views and opinions far from assimilating, it ought to be taken as *prima facie* evidence that any innovation upon it, would meet with bitter opposition. It is seldom, very seldom, that a law so applicable in all its provisions, is woven together, even by the most learned of Legislators, and the present healthy state of the Department, the order which characterises it, and its practical effects, are but the fruits of the authority controlling it. The Department, therefore, as individual members, ask that no change whatever be made in the law which bears date April 30th 1855.

The utility of having a quantity of good hose at the command of the Chief Engineer, has been made apparent by various engine trials that have lately taken place. The smallest engine in the Department, manned by but twelve men, is capable of forcing water 70 feet in height through 1350 feet of hose. In case of a large fire above Montgomery or Dupont streets, and the cisterns should give out, the Chief Engineer would be compelled to form lines from cisterns below the line of the streets named or from the Bay, but unless he was supplied with an ample amount of hose, his efforts would be of no avail and a great destruction of property would be the consequence. The windy season is rapidly coming upon us, and the Department, to render it effective, is absolutely in want of ten thousand feet of hose. We are but doing our duty in calling attention to the matter, and if an emergency should occur, where the Department would be powerless, the blame must not be attached to it, but to those whose duty it is to provide it with the wherewithal to perform its work.

With the exception of Nos. 8, 10 and 13, every company in the Department is in possession of an excellent apparatus. Nos. 7 and 14, we have been informed, intend procuring engines of their own. That Nos. 8 and 10 require new engines is a fact that cannot be denied, and doing constant duty within the city limits a powerful engine is needed. No. 13, we believe, would be willing to receive the present engine of No. 5, when the new one for that company arrives. The present engine of No. 5 is almost as good as new and for the duty to be performed at the Mission, would last No. 13 several years. It will require at least a year's time to issue proposals for building the engines, receiving bids and adopting the plan, therefore it would be well for the Chief to make some recommendation to the Common Council in regard to the matter in his next Report, which we understand will shortly be made.

THANKS.—Wm. Bausman, Esq. Secretary of the Senate, will please accept our thanks for valuable public documents.

SAN FRANCISCO, FEB. 5, 1856.

EDITOR FIREMAN'S JOURNAL.—In your last paper giving an account of the playing of engines 3 7 and 8, on Friday night previous, you say that No. 8 only threw a stream two and a half feet above the roof of Wright's building, whereas more than twenty persons have stated that the stream reached the caps of the pillars supporting the cupola, and if there is any doubt about the matter, No. 8 can do it again.

EYE WITNESS.

In giving place to the above, we have this much to say, and in saying it, we intend never to deviate from it. We shall never again give the distances thrown by any engine which comes out at night for the purpose of testing her capacity, especially when it is done to come in competition with another. If an engine from a sister city, or otherwise, comes out in broad daylight and submits her qualifications to the scrutiny of all, it is no more than honorable and courageous for a company to play under the same circumstances. We do not believe that any engine can have justice done her when the measurement of her streams have to be detected in a dark night with the water shooting upwards, and rather than submit to any unfair motives being imputed to reports upon the same, we again say we will give publicity to no more engine trials that take place under cover of the night.

Badges.

Some time since, the Common Council of New York, passed an ordinance ordering a form of badges made to be worn by members of the Fire Department to distinguish them from the runners. At a fire in Spruce street, in December last, the law compelling firemen to wear badges when on duty at fires was for the first time strictly enforced by the Police. Lines of Policemen were formed at each corner of the street on either side of the burning building, and no one unless exhibiting a badge was allowed to pass. Within the lines were also large numbers of Policemen patrolling, and every one without the prescribed badges was requested to step outside. Over sixty interlopers and rowdies were run out. Various devices were resorted to by the runners to get inside the line, badges being sent out by their friends at the engines. Those at work at the machines were looked after, and in one instance the entire side of an engine was stripped, not a singled person having a badge. That the same system must eventually be adopted here is daily making itself apparent. It has been impossible at times, for the Department to operate efficiently in consequence of the crowds of loafers and idlers surrounding the members at every point, and now that the Police force has been so materially reduced, the firemen for their own protection at fires must adopt some means to keep the space around a burning building clear, so as to work efficiently. And another, and the most important consideration is, outsiders must be kept away from the Department at all times, particularly when on duty.

Col. D. S. Turner.

The Joint Committee appointed by the Common Council to investigate the affairs of Col. D. S. Turner, late City Treasurer, have come to the conclusion to report in favor of liquidating his accounts precisely as they were originally presented. From the investigations of this Committee it appears that Col. Turner, in the hope of receiving the amount through the regular channels, and then replacing it, took twelve thousand five hundred dollars of the Fire Bond Fund to pay that amount of coupons, coming due upon it, but in consequence of the stoppage of the wheels of the City Government, Col. T. was unable to replace the amount borrowed. The coupons are reccommended by the Committee to be taken for so much cash, which in reality they are, and credited to Col. Turner, which together, with about fifteen hundred dollars to be paid to the present City Treasurer, will make the accounts of the former correct. The termination of this affair is gratifying, not only on account of Col. Turner, but that of the Fire Department.

APPROPRIATIONS.—The Board of Aldermen unanimously passed an ordinance on Monday evening, appropriating six hundred dollars for repairs done on California engine 4. This is no more than an act of justice to that company, and the Assistant Board will doubtless coincide, by passing favorably upon it. The engine of No. 4 was purchased by the company, more than three years since, and has been in constant service—and during the whole period, has been laid up but once to undergo the repairs for which the present appropriation was passed. An ordinance in favor of paying Chief Engineer Nuttman, six hundred and twenty-five dollars, for expenses incurred at the corporation yard for the last month was also adopted. The expenses thus far at the yard have been very light; its establishment has proved it to be most advantageous to the department, and economical to the city. It should be continued, with such improvements and additions as the Chief may reccommend.

WASHINGTON SQUARE.—It is the intention of the City Surveyor, J. J. Hoff Esq., if the services of the chain gang can be procured, to fill and grade Washington Square, so that the military may use it for parades. In close proximity to the Bay, with a pleasant breeze always blowing, a more fitting place for drill, could not be selected, and the military companies would be highly gratified in having so convenient a place There is no man at present holding office in this city, who has been so hampered in a proper prosecution of the calls upon him, as Mr. Hoff—it appears to have been a settled thing, that he should be put to every inconvenience imaginable; had Mr. Hoff been at all sustained by the citizens of the city, the streets long ere this, would have been in a passable condition, but being entirely unaided, it was a moral impossibility for him to act. We are gratified to see that both branches of the Common Council are awakening to the sense of Mr. Hoff's reccommendations, and that active measures will shortly be taken to place the principal thoroughfares of the city in good repair. Mr. Hoff has strenuously worked to accomplish this, and has now a fair prospect of success.

NATIONAL GUARDS.—The Armory of the National Guards will be completed in about two weeks. The next meeting of the company will be held in the new Armory.

CRESCENT 10.—We acknowledge the receipt of an invitation to be present at the Ball to be given by the Crescent Company, No. 10, on the 22d inst. We shall endeavor to be there, as we are confident a very pleasant entertainment will repay those who are present.

MURDER TRIALS.—There are upwards of thirteen murder cases to come before Judge Hager's Court during the present term. That being the case, the trial of Cora will probably not come up for two months from this time.

Taxation of Insurance Companies.

EDITOR FIREMAN'S JOURNAL:—The bungling legislation which has thus far characterised California, has been no where more inconsistent and unequal, than in the laws regulating the taxation of Insurance Agencies. The premiums collected by foreign Insurance Companies here, seem to have excited the cupidity of our legislators to a remarkable degree. As if determined that there should be no Insurance in our State; we have first a Constitution which practically forbids the formation of any monied corporation, by leaving all the stockholders personally liable for its debts in case of failure, a difficulty not removed by the statute providing for the establishment of Insurance Companies. This constitutional impediment has been further aggravated by the imposition of a succession of taxes on foreign Insurance, intended I presume, as a protection to the domestic companies, which never did, and never can exist under our present laws. First, the capital of our foreign companies was attempted to be taxed at a rate, which on some of the large English agencies would have absorbed in advance, half or three quarters of their earnings. This of course proved inoperative, and the enactment was replaced by a license tax, levying $500 per quarter on every company attempting to do business in the State—this in turn was found oppressive and absurd, and now we have to pay a license of $100 per quarter, on every company represented here, whether we do a large business or a small one, or no business at all.

Now sir, this system of taxation on insurance by license, and on capital, is all wrong, and is rapidly giving ground every where out of California, to the more just and equal Income tax. It is useless to attempt to tax capital owned and taxed in England or New York. Such a tax cannot be enforced, and if it could, would it be wise in us to levy a penalty upon the introduction and use of that capital here, so long as our laws forbid us to use our own in competition with it—and as to the license system, is it just to levy the same amount upon a company of $150,000 capital, whose premiums here may not amount to $1000 per annum, that is demanded from a mammoth institution, whose yearly revenue is $100,000. There are no agents or offices in this city more willing than our Insurance men, to contribute their proportion to the support of the government, although we certainly are not indebted to it for any special favors to our business, but we do consider that an Income tax would be far more tolerable to us than the present system, a system which excuses the rich, and grinds the poor, which encourages monopolies already established by the agents, cutting up at the outset the earnings of enterprising opposition

As to the disposition of the funds collected from Insurance offices as taxes, we of course have nothing to say—but as the objects of underwriters, and of the Fire Department are always the same, with this difference, that what we are paid for doing, the firemen do for nothing—it seems no more than reasonable that we should contributet for their benefit. We are often called upon to make donations to the Charaitable Fund, besides the taxes which the State imposes on us. This gives rise to an inequality that bears heavy on the smaller offices, and renders them liable to the charge of meanness, when in fact they may not have the means to be liberal. If this whole system of taxation and contribution could be done away with, and replaced by a moderate income tax, to be appropriated either towards the expenses of the Fire Department, or to their Charitable Fund. I venture the assertion that every officer in the city would heartily endorse the measure, and that the *entente cordiale* which elsewhere generally subsists between Insurance Companies and Firemen, would be thereby thoroughly established here.

Yours, &c.,

AN INSURANCE AGENT.

MARYSVILLE FIRE DEPARTMENT.—We have been shown an elegant set of books intended for the use of the Fire Department of Marysville.—It consists of an elegantly made and bound Register similar to that of the Department of this city, also a Record book. The former is large enough for the roll of 29 engines, 10 Hook and Ladders, and 3 Hose Companies. The books were gotten up under the supervision of Charles Carl, stationer, corner of Montgomery and Merchant streets, and the binding was done by Messrs. Boswell & Co., Sansome street The books will be forwarded to Marysville during next week.

THE CATHEDRAL BELL.—The members of the Department make great complaint of the manner in which the Cathedral Bell is rung, especially in the morning. Whoever it is that strikes it, does so, that the tone precisely resembles the Hall Bell, and as the ringer generally starts off with a dozen or so of single taps, the firemen think it the Hall Bell, particularly those at distance One or two of the engines rolled a few mornings since in consequence. Please ring your bell a little faster.

BOARD OF DELEGATES.—The regular monthly meeting of the Board of Delegates will be held next Wednesday evening. There is a vast amount of important business to transact, and every delegate should be present. The Report of the Judiciary Committee on Incorporating the Fund, will be considered, together with other matters equally as interesting.

THE EFFECT.—We are informed that Insurance risks are refused on property in certain streets down town for the reason that the latter are in such a terrible condition that the engines could not get sufficiently near to save it. A nice story to write home to London and Liverpool, truly.

NEW CERTIFICATES.—We are requested by ex-Chief Engineer Duane, to say to those persons desiring him to sign their Diploma Certificates, that he will do so if they are left at the office of J. L. Van Bokkelen, on Clay street, between Sansome and Leidesdorff streets.

BOARD OF DELEGATES.—A special meeting of the Board of Delegates was called for Monday evening last. E B, Vreeland acting President, J. B. Moore, acting Secretary. There being no quorum present, the Board adjourned.

DORAN AND MERRIAM.—These enterprising Newsmen, (whose establishment is next to the Arcade on Clay street,) will accept our thanks for a full supply of papers by the late arrivals.

CALIFORNIA 4.—Charles S. Whitney, was unanimously elected 1st Assistant Foreman of California Engine Company 4, at its meeting on Saturday evening last, vice John W. Farren resigned.

MECHANICS INSTITUTE.—The election of officers for the ensuing year of the Mechanics Institute, takes place on the evening of the First Wednesday in March.

Challenge.

GEO. H. HOSSEFROSS Esq. Foreman Monumental Engine Co. No. 6.

SIR:—The undersigned committee appointed by Vigilant Engine Co. No. 9, hereby on behalf of the company, challenge Monumental Co. No. 6, to meet them on the ground in front of the Oriental Hotel, with their apparatus on Feb. 22d, to play again the programme adopted to govern the previous trials between the two companies. Both engines to come upon the ground as they did on the 14th of Jan., or as they had been run to fires previous to that time.

This challenge is given for the reason that at the trial of January 30th, the machinery of No. 9 was dis-arranged to such an extent that it was impossible to work her to advantage, or furnish a fair criterion by which to judge of her capacity or merits.

Respectfully,

JOHN SHORT,
WM. H. BOVEE,
J. B. KYLE,
} Committee.

San Francisco, Feb'y 8th, 1856.

Board of Police Commissioners.

The Board of Police Commissioners met yesterday afternoon, at 3½ o'clock, in the Chambers of the Board of Aldermen, City Hall. Present Messrs. Van Ness, Slocomb, Wells, and North. Without going into an election of Lieutenents and Sergeants, the board proceeded to make the following Police appointments:

Josiah W. Lees,	Jacob Lerman,
W. Bloomer,	Wm. Durie,
D. H. Rand,	N. Parezo,
E. W. Moss,	R. P. Robinson,
G. Baum,	C. A. Howard,
H H. Ellis,	Daniel Sweeny,
J. Waterhouse,	John Short, jr.
C. C. Jamison, jr.	Michael Dolan,
J L. Darkee,	Edward Delany,
J, Wash. McKenzie,	Joseph Irwin,
Andrew McKenzie,	John Nugent,
J. Wm. McKenzie,	J. J. Josephs,
R. B. Monks,	James Ogleby,
J S. Hopper,	W. W. Stone,
S C. Stevenson,	J. V. Dennison,
John H. Berdan,	James Kenevan,
Thomas May,	James Towle,
H. W. Kerrison,	J. J. Green,

James Lang.

HOWARD ENGINE HOUSE,
San Francisco, February 7, 1856

At a meeting of Howard Engine Co., held on Wednesday evening February 6, 1856, the following preamble and resolution was unanimously adopted:

Whereas, many members of this company are indebted to a large amount for fines and dues, and in many instances refusing to pay the same. Therefore, be it resolved that the Secretary of this company, be, and is hereby instructed to notify all delinquent members through the *Fireman's Journal*, that unless their fines and dues are paid within thirty days from this date, they will be expelled from the company, in accordance with the Constitution and By-Laws of the same, and their names published in the *Fireman's Journal*.

PLINY M. WHITNEY,
Secretary.

THE CASE OF DR. JOSSELYN.—The shooting of a man named Welch, by Dr. Josselyn, a partner of Dr. J. C. Young, comes up to day before the Recorder for examination. We sincerely trust that the District Attorney will give his personal attendance to this case, and endeavor to prevent wealth and influence from triumphing over justice. Welch, the complainant, is a poor man, but that circumstance should entitle him to greater consideration. In connection with this matter, we should like to know if there is not a law on the statute book, making it a penal offence for any man to practice as a physician or surgeon, without having a diploma to the effect that he has perfected himself in the art—if there is such a law in existence, it ought to be enforced to the letter, for there are plenty of subjects in San Francisco to operate upon. If there is no such law, then we earnestly recommend the Legislature to pass one without delay, even if it be a special act for this city, that is if the members have any desire to see human life perpetuated.

TRUSTEES OF THE CHARITABLE FUND.—The Board of Trustees of the Charitable Fund, held a meeting on Thursday afternoon, relative to its incorporation. There were present, Trustees, Palmer, McKibbin, Payne and Sullivan, they came to no definite conclusion in regard to the matter, but accepted the invitation of the Board of Delegates to be present at their meeting next Wednesday evening, and give their views upon the subject.

DUPONT STREET.—The members of the Department are informed that Dupont street between Pine and Bush is completely obstructed by the removal of a frame house, from the corner of Pine and Dupont streets to the corner Post and Stockton streets. The house as present stands directly in the middle of the street, and takes up so much of the space, as to render it impassable for engines or men. Should a fire take place in the locality spoken of, the only way to reach it would be through Kearny to Bush streets—the nearest water is at the corner of Bush and Kearny, Powell and Bush, Dupont and Clay. The obstruction is an outrageous one—the Fire Warden of the district has endeavored to have it moved, but all to no purpose, and the street will not be clear before Tuesday or Wednesday.

TO END STROKE.—Your inquiry whether we endorse the statement which appeared in our last issue, regarding the cause of 9's defeat, will remain unanswered, until the name of the party making the request, is appended to the communication. We have a perfect detestation for anonymous writers; if a man has not sufficient moral courage to acknowledge the paternity of the emanations of his pen, he had better never attempt writing for the Press.

KNICKERBOCKER 5.—The magnificent new engine intended for Knickerbocker engine company 5, now being constructed by James Smith & Co., of New York, will not be shipped for this place until next month. She is said to be one of the most superb pieces of workmanship ever sent out of any shop. She will cost between six and seven thousand dollars, and is to be paid for by the company.

LENT.—This season of fasting and prayer, strictly observed in the Episcopal and Catholic Churches, commenced on Wednesday last, and ends on Easter Sunday. But very few ladies connected with either of the above congregations attend the Theatres or other public places of amusement, during Lent.

VOLUNTEER 7.—George W. Shaw, has been elected First Assistant Foreman of Volunteer Engine Company 7, *vice* Richard Dowling resigned.

THEATRICAL AND MUSICAL.

THE METROPOLITAN.—Mr James Stark, took a farewell benefit at the Metropolitan on Monday evening. The house was an elegant one, containing a most appreciative and fashonable audience.—King Lear was finely performed by Mr. Stark, in fact we never saw him to better advantage. Mrs. Stark as Cordelia, was also excellent. The benefit was a deserving one.

On Tuesday evening, Mr. Buchanan appeared in the tragedy of Macbeth, supported by Mr. Booth as Macduff, Mr. Johns as Banquo, Mr. Coad as Malcolm, and Mrs. Stark as Lady Macbeth. For the manner in which the piece was put upon the stage, the management deserve great credit. The scenery was unexceptionable, and the best we have ever seen in this country in the representation of Macbeth. We noticed, (we don't know as they can be called innovations,) new features in its performance, in the dagger scene particularly. Where we have formerly been accustomed to see Macbeth leave the stage, daggers in hands, to do the bloody deed—in the Macbeth at the Metropolitan, the Witches dimly appear as seen through several thicknesses of gauze, pointing Macbeth the way to go, the scene changes and the Witches still marshal'st him until he is brought to the couch of the sleeping King, and the fatal blow is struck We like the change, and think it an improvement on the former style which always left an audience in the dark as exactly how Duncan was killed. If the Witches on the heath, only sang with the same perfection that distinguished the scenery, in its appearance, therewould not be anything to complain of. Mr. Buchanan has improved since we last saw him, his efforts to render the impersonation of the great Bard's conception are commendable. Macbeth has been the bill for the week, and in consequence of its length, no other play has been performed on the same evening. Last night Hamlet was peformed. To-night, Cæcinna, or the Roman Consul is announced, for the benefit of Mr. Buchanan.

THE MISSES GOUGENHEIMS.—These ladies, we understand, intend performing at Marysville, prior to their departure for Australia, and leave the city early next week for that purpose.

SAN FRANCISCO MINSTRELS.—The Minstrels opened at the Forrest Theatre, Sacramento, on Tuesday evening, and although the prices of admission were raised, they have drawn crowded and fashionable audiences, as such entertainment as theirs naturally will. We shall be glad when they return to San Francisco.

SOIREE.—The first of a series of delightful *soirees* given by the First Light Dragoons, Capt. Rowell, took place at Minerva Hall, on Wednesday evening—it was certainly a happy party, gaiety and sociability reigned supreme, and the dancing and pleasures of the evening were kept up until a late hour. The whole affair was refined and elegant.

The following is a list of the architects and builders of the various engine and Truck houses in this city:

COMPANIES.	ARCHITECTS.	BUILDERS.
Empire.	Craine & England.	Lord & Van Orden
Manhattan,	L. R. Townsend.	M. Fennel.
Howard,	L R. Townsend.	Sheldon & Brown.
California,	Q. Portois.	Newman & Co.
Knickerbocker,	L. R. Townsend.	S. D. Neagle.
Monumental,	Craine & England.	Done by the day.
Volunteer,	L. R. Townsend.	Nagle & Chase.
Pacific,	V. Hoffman.	MacReady & Webb.
Vigilant,	H. R. Leonard.	Bowker & Massey.
Crescent,	Craine & England.	Lord & Van Orden
Columbian,	L. R. Townsend,	McFadden & Gately
Pennsylvania	R. Clark,	Benj. Howard.
Young America,	Craine & Co.	M. Fennel.
St. Francis,	I. F. Myers.	Latson & Laimbeer
Lafayette.	L. R. Townsend.	Benj. Howard.
Sansome,	Jos. Trench.	E. T. Menomy.

MANHATTAN 2.—At the annual election for officers of Manhattan Engine Company No. 2, held on Monday evening, Ira Cole was re-elected Foreman; J. W. Brady, was elected First, and Harvey Lake, Second Assistant Foreman; Thos F. Kerrigan, Secretary; S. J. Keene, Treasurer.

YOUNG AMERICA 13.—The following gentlemen were elected officers of Young America Engine Company 13, at the regular meeting, Feb 1st, for the ensuing year. Foreman, Michael Hayes; 1st Assistant, John C. Corbett; 2d Assistant, William Hall; Secretary, Michael Lynch; Treasurer, Lewis Maison.

TIGER 14.—The engine of Tiger Company has had new levers made for her, her machinery put in order, and new suctions made, and is now doing active duty wherever the alarm calls her. The company have adopted a uniform similar to that of Pennsylvania 12

THE INVESTIGATING COMMITTEE.—Messrs. Tilford, Hawks and Scellen, the committee appointed by the Senate to examine the books and transactions of the State Land Commissioners, entered upon the discharge of their duties on yesterday.

RAVEL FAMILY.—The Ravel Troupe are now in the city making preparations for their appearance at the Metropolitan, which takes place on the 17th inst.

NEW STEAMER.—The Young America, a new steamer lately built by capitalists in Marysville, leaves this morning on her trial trip to that city. The Y. A. is intended to ply between Sacramento and Marysville

LITTLE'S DRUG STORE.—Our readers are referred to the advertisement in another column, of Little's Drug store, 187 Montgomery street, where the best assortment of drugs and chemicals in the market may be found.

THE GOLDEN GATE.—This magnificent Steamer is now out twenty days with dates from New York to January 20th. She will probably arrive on Tuesday or Wednesday.

VIGILANT 9.—The new and powerful engine of this company, is now in active service, and rolled to the fire at steamboat point, on Tuesday morning.

DEDICATION.—The Seaman's Bethel, situated on Clark, between Davis and Drumm streets, of which Revd. Mr. Davis is pastor, will be dedicated to-morrow afternoon, services commencing at 3½ o'clock.

BUSINESS.—For the last three or four days, there has scarcely been any business done among the merchants, some of the streets below Montgomery, have had the quiet appearance of a Sunday.

COUNTY COURT.—The January term of the County Court, Judge Freelon, commences on Tuesday next.

COLUMBIAN 11.—Wm. H. Brennan, has been elected Secretary of Columbian Engine Company No. 11, *vice* Thomas G. Vandeveer.

Fires and Alarms for the Week.

Feb. 5, 12½ A. M.—Hall Bell alarm, Seventh district; burning of a shed at steamboat point. The department dragging the apparatus through holes, gullies, ravines and mud, beyond South Park—returned, as its services would have been of no effect. The hall bell was rung in a clear and distinct manner.

PRIVATE ENTERPRISE.—Mr. Joseph Trench the proprietor of the Metropolitan, has at his own expense, planked in front of his property, so as to render the way passable. If every property holder would follow the example set by Mr. T., all the streets would very soon be in good condition. Property holders should be compelled to repair in front of their own property.

GRANITE.—Col. Russ, has found a bed of granite near this city, of a quality sufficiently durable for the purpose of paving the streets. As soon as the proper arrangements can be made for procuring it speedily, the work of laying down a pavement will be commenced.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

BEEF, MUTTON AND PORK.

GEORGE W. GREEN,

I desire to notify the public that I have commenced my old business of Butchering at the new Market corner of Kearny and Clay streets, Stall No. 2. I shall use all efforts in my power to furnish my old as well as new customers with

Fresh Beef, Pork and Mutton,

of such quality, and upon such reasonable terms as I am assured will give satisfaction to those who may favor me with their patronage

All kinds of Meats for shipping or family use. feb9 tf

JONES, WOOLL & SUTHERLAND,

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Manufacturers and Importers of

LOOKING GLASSES, PORTRAIT

—AND—

Picture Frames, Prints, etc., etc.,

89 Montgomery Street, near California st.,

SAN FRANCISCO.

Certificate Frames of all styles made to order. feb9 6m

METROPOLITAN THEATRE.

LESSEE AND MANAGER.....MR. BAKER

BENEFIT OF

MR. McKEAN BUCHANAN.

On this (Saturday) Evening, Feb. 9,

Will be presented the Tragedy of

CÆCINNA, OR THE ROMAN CONSUL.

Cæcinna,.....Mr. Buchanan.

To conclude with the Farce of

—PRICES OF ADMISSION:—

Dress Circle and Parquette.....$1 00
Orchestra Boxes.....$2 00
Private Boxes.....$6 to $16
Second and Third Tier.....50 cents

Doors will open at ½ to 7—Curtain rises 7½ precisely

FIRE DEPARTMENT.

BOARD OF DELEGATES.—The Regular Monthly Meeting of the Board will be held on Wednesday evening next, February 13th, at 7½ o'clock. By order

MARCUS D. BORUCK, Secretary, S. F. F. D.

Alta, Sun, and Evening Papers please copy.

TIGER NO. 14.—An adjourned monthly meeting of this company will be held at the engine house on Friday evening next, Feb. 15, at 7½ o'clock.

By order, J. SEWALL REED,
Secretary.

MISCELLANEOUS.

ANNIVERSARY BALL

—OF—

Crescent Engine Co. No. 10,

TO BE GIVEN AT

MUSICAL HALL, BUSH STREET,

—ON—

FRIDAY EVENING, February 22d, 1856.

—MANAGERS:—

James Herbert,	William Free.	R. J. Tobin,
E. W. Graham,	E. B. Mac Grotty,	C. Peaslee,
James Hall,	Wm. Farley,	B O'Rourke,
	C. S. Biden.	

Tickets $5,00—To be had of any of the above managers, or at Atwill's Music Store, Washington st. [feb2.

MARKET NOTICE.

Opening of the Great Plaza Market, on TUESDAY, January 29th, corner of Clay and Kearny streets.

Concentration of all the Market Business of San Francisco in one Large Central Market.

The inhabitants of this city have long needed a central and commodious Market, where they could obtain all the necessaries of life in one convenient place. The Plaza Market is the large brick building formerly used as the Post Office, and was opened on the above day, by the best Butchers, best Vegetable Men, best Butter Dealers and Game Men, from the Washington, Pacific and New World Markets. All of the occupants have been at an enormous expense to fit up their Stalls superior to any in the city—We invite all the ladies of San Francisco to call and take a look at the most magnificent Market ever erected on the Pacific Coast. feb4-1m

NOTICE.

We have concluded to close our establishment on Sundays, and hope our friends and the public will support us in doing so. The store will be open till 12 P M. Saturdays, for the accommodation of customers. We have a large and splendid stock of clothing and furnishing goods, which we will sell at prices to suit the times.

FIGEL & BRO,
feb2 tf 191 Clay st., 3 doors from Kearny.

Only 25 Cents!

LITTLE'S

Devine's Pitch Lozenges

Universally acknowledged to be the safest and best remedy ever invented for the cure of

COUGHS, COLDS,

And all affections of the

THROAT AND LUNGS!

Are now offered to the public at the very low rate of TWENTY-FIVE CENTS a box, or

Five Boxes for One Dollar!

DOCTOR WILLIAM DEVINE being anxious that the citizens of California should derive the full benefit of his "estimable remedy," came to this State for the sole purpose of establishing their manufacture and sale, and made arrangements with

MESSRS. LITTLE & CO.

for that purpose, as will be seen by the following affidavit:

County of San Francisco, ss.—William B. Little, being duly sworn, deposes and says—That he is a Druggist, and doing business in the city of San Francisco, under the name and style of Little & Co.; that on the 30th day of December, 1854, for good and valuable consideration, Dr. Wm. Devine, who was then in the city of San Francisco, sold to him the recipe, and instructed him in the art of manufacturing the Lozenges known as Dr Devine's Compound Pitch Lozenges, and that the articles he has sold as Dr. Devine's Compound Pitch Lozenges, are the genuine Compound Pitch Lozenges, prepared according to the recipe so sold and made known to him by said Dr. Wm. Devine; and deponent further says that the said Dr. Wm. Devine authorized and appointed him sole agent of said Lozenges, in and for the State of California.

WM. B. LITTLE.

Sworn to before me, this 21st day of January, 1856.

GEO. T. KNOX, Notary Public.

OBSERVE THAT

LITTLE'S DEVINE'S PITCH LOZENGES

Are put up in green boxes, with a representation of a PINE TREE on the corner, and the written signature of LITTLE & CO., is attached to each box.

Sold at wholesale by H. Johnson & Co.; Story & Co.; Crowell, Crane & Bringham; Langley & Co.; Park & White; E. B Thayer; and at retail by druggists and dealers in every town throughout the State.

All applications for agencies must be made to

LITTLE & CO.,
Chemists and Druggists,
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JEWELRY.

EXTRA HEAVY AND

FINE GOLD GUARD CHAINS!

Just received by the
STEAMER "GOLDEN AGE,"
At BRIGGS. DEY & CO.
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GENUINE COPENHAGEN WATCHES,

Of all styles of Movement,
Just received and for sale by BRIGGS, DEY & CO.
—ALSO—
The above celebrated Watches
Suitable for Ladies,
To be found at BRIGGS, DEY & CO.
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Repaired and Cleaned, by an experienced workman, and guaranteed, by
BRIGGS, DEY & CO.,
98 Montgomery st., corner California.

IMPORTATION! IMPORTATION!

Briggs, Dey & Co. are prepared to import every description of goods in their line, on short notice, and as low as any other house in San Francisco.
BRIGGS, DEY & CO.,
98 Montgomery st., corner California.

MUSICAL BOXES! MUSICAL BOXES!

Of every size and style, with Mandolin and Bell Attachments, and selections of music from Operas, National Airs, Polkas, Waltzes, etc. For sale by
BRIGGS, DEY & CO.
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SILVER PLATED WARE.

Very Heavy Silver Plated Spoons and Forks, plated especially for family use. Also—Fine silver plated and silver mounted Waiters and Tea Sets. Just received and for sale by
BRIGGS, DEY & CO.,
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SILVER! SILVER! SILVER!

Fine Silver Tea Sets—Fine Silver Breakfast Sets:
Fine silver Spoons and Forks;
Fine silver Pitchers and Goblets;
Fine silver Waiters;
Fine silver Cups;
Fine silver Knives;
Fine silver Nut Picks;
Fine silver Napkin Rings, etc.
For sale by BRIGGS, DEY & CO.
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ORDERS! ORDERS!

Taken for any description of Watches, and forwarded to the manufacturers with dispatch.
BRIGGS, DEY & CO.,
98 Montgomery st., corner California.

RAIL WAY TIME-KEEPERS.

The celebrated Wm. B. Crisp Patent Railway Time-Keepers, of the largest size, with the maker's certificate accompanying.
BRIGGS, DEY & CO.
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Jas. Nardin's Perfect Watches

—AND—
POCKET CHRONOMETERS,
Of every style and size, certified by the manufacturer.
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WATCHES! WATCHES!

By all the most Celebrated English, French Swiss and Danish makers kept constantly on hand and sold at the lowest possible price, by
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98 Montgomery st., near California.

Gold Hunting Repeating Watches!

Just arrived per Steamer "Golden Age."
A SUPERIOR ARTICLE,
For sale by BRIGGS, DEY & CO.,
98 Montgomery st., near California.

Independent and Quarter Second Watches,

VERY SUPERIOR,
Just arrived per Steamer "Golden Age."
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LADIES WILL FIND

At our Store, a Beautiful Assortment of Goods
Suitable for

HOLIDAY PRESENTS.

Two things we Guarantee—Our Goods are the very Newest Styles, and no house in California

CAN OR WILL SELL CHEAPER.

Roman Cameo Sets;	Bracelets of all kinds;
Florentine Mosaic Sets;	Pins and Earrings;
Pearl and Coral Sets;	Chatelaines;
Plain or Chased Sets;	Neck Chains;
Crosses and Chains;	Charms;
Belt Buckles;	Pearl Crosses.

DIAMONDS—SET IN

Cluster Rings;	Bracelets;
Brooches;	Cluster Earrings;
Solitaire Rings;	Solitaire Earrings;
Crosses;	Buckles.

QUARTZ—SET IN

Cane Heads;	Crosses, very chaste;
Seals and Keys;	Ribbon Slides;
Pins and Earrings;	Cuff Pins;
Finger Rings;	Sleeve Buttons;
Studs;	Bijouterie.

SILVER WARE—SUCH AS

Cups and Goblets;	Gravy Spoons;
Sets of Knives, Forks and Spoons;	Sugar Spoons;
Ladies'	Salt Spoons;
Spoons and Forks;	Napkin Rings;
Fish Knives and Forks;	Card Baskets;
Cake Knives;	Cake Baskets;
Castors;	Tea Sets complete;
Butter Knives;	Cream Pots;
Breakfast Knives;	Tureens;
Fruit Knives;	Pitchers;
Thimbles;	Match Boxes;
Salvers;	Cigar Cases;
Children's Rattles;	Bar Spoons;
Toilet Cases;	Card Cases;
Butter Dishes;	Port Monnaies;
Bar Mixers and Strainers;	Fruit Stands.

WATCHES—OF

ENGLISH MANUFACTURE:	FRENCH MANUFACTURE
Magic Cased;	Magic Cased;
Heavy Cased Levers;	Enamelled;
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Duplexes;	Small Lapines.

ALSO—A great many articles not enumerated.
BARRETT & SHERWOOD,
135 Montgomery st.
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FIRE INSURANCE.

ROYAL INSURANCE COMPANY,

Of Liverpool and London.
Capital Ten Million of Dollars!!

The undersigned, Agents in California for the above named company, are prepared to issue Policies, Insuring brick buildings or merchandise stored therein, household furniture, &c., and are authorized to settle all losses HERE.
The amount of the capital of this company, viz:—
TEN MILLIONS OF DOLLARS!
which would be immediately available to meet any unforseen calamity; the well-known character of its Directors; the high respectability of its Proprietors; and the standing which it takes among the large Insurance Establishments, enable it to rank with the most eligible offices now in existence, either in Europe or America, with respect to the advantages offered to the public.
The Company will ever distinguish itself by its "promptness in the settlement of claims."
Parties desirous to effect Insurance will be furnished with all necessary information by
McKINLAY, GARRIOCH & CO.,
de20 California street, Corner of Leidesdorff street.

INTERNATIONAL HOTEL.

The undersigned has this day purchased the entire interest of Messrs. PECK & FISHER in the above well known house, and will endeavor to continue the business to the entire satisfaction of all who may favor him with their patronage. D. C. HASKIN.
San Francisco, Jan. 8th, 1856. jan19-1m

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Holiday Presents.

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THE LARGEST ASSORTMENT OF

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ON THE PACIFIC COAST!

$300,000

INVESTED IN CHOICE ARTICLES!!

TUCKER respectfully informs the trade and the public generally that he has received by late arrivals one of the largest and most varied assortments of JEWELRY and Fancy Goods ever imported into this State.

Among his late arrivals may be found
THIRTY LARGE SINGLE DIAMONDS,
Perfect curiosities in themselves, being much the largest in this city.

—ALSO,—
FINE DIAMOND NECKLACES!
Worth from $400 to $2400 each!
—ALSO—
An Unusual Large Assortment of
WATCHES,
AT ALL PRICES,
FROM $50 TO $3000 EACH

I have on hand for sale at retail or to the trade, those fine large Watches, called
RAILWAY TIME-KEEPERS.
—ALSO—

Diamond Watches,		Patent Lever Watches,	
Ladies'	do	Enamelled	do
Hunting	do	Chronometer	do

etc., etc., etc.

QUARTZ JEWELRY!

In this department of Jewelry Manufacture, I am without a competitor. In the artistic elegance in which I get up my work, I have been enabled to supersede all others; particularly those who pretend to get up similar work in this city. If any person wants a beautiful
Cane Head,
Ring Setting,
Breastpins, etc., etc., etc.
LET THEM CALL ON ME,
And I will sell them any of the above articles, or another that can be manufactured from

Quartz, Cheaper—

[But mind I guarantee them to be GENUINE]
Than they can Possibly be Purchased
ELSEWHERE.

SILVER WARE.

100 Dozen Table Spoons,
95 Dozen Tea Spoons,
125 Dozen Table Forks,
SILVER TEA SETS,
WITH OR WITHOUT SALVERS,
Silver Pitchers and Cups,
Silver Trumpets,
Card Cases,
Cake Baskets,
Castors, etc., etc.

All of the above articles are warranted of the first quality, and manufactured by persons who thoroughly understand their business.

MISCELLANEOUS.

Among the following articles will be found some of the best ever made; and I am determined to sell them, however small the profit. And as I buy from first hands and in Large Invoices, of course I can always undersell those who buy small invoices, after they have passed through three or four hands! I Warrant every article that leaves my Store.

Diamond Bracelets,
Diamond Rings and Pins,
Diamond Ear Rings,

Gold Goblets,	Gold Spoons,	Gold Chains,
Gold Forks,	Gold Fob Chains,	
Gold Napkin Rings,	Silver Napkin Rings,	
Jewel Caskets,	Opera Glasses,	
Swords, Ame's Make,	Walking Canes,	
Port Monnaies,	Penholders,	
Pocket Knives,	Silver mounted Dirk Knives,	
Shell back Combs,	Coffee Urns,	
Swinging Kettles, etc., etc., etc.		

All the above articles can be found at
Look out for the Right Number,
125 Montgomery Street,
SAN FRANCISCO
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Just Received and for Sale

—BY—
J. W. TUCKER,
AT 125 MONTGOMERY STREET,
—The following:—
Diamond Crosses; Diamond Ear-Rings;
Diamond Finger-Rings;
Diamond Watches; Diamond Necklaces, &c.
WATCHES OF ALL KINDS.
Gold Cups; Gold Spoons;
TEA AND DINNER SILVER SETS made of the purest silver, and of the latest patterns.
A fine collection of CAMEO and MOSAIC Pins, Ear Rings and Bracelets. Also—a fine assortment of Frosted Work, Bracelets, Pins and Ear Rings. Buttons, Studs, Amulets Pencils, Gold Headed Canes, etc., etc. For sale cheaper and better than can be had at any other store in California.
Mind the Name and Number!
no24 tf

San Francisco Hall.

T Maguire.....Proprietor
R M Hooley.....Business Manager
S A Wells.....Director of Amusements
Max Zorer.....Musical Director

On Thursday Evening, Dec. 6th, 1855.
OPENING NIGHT
—OF THE—
NEW COMPANY.

First appearance in California of the following talented artists, who have been engaged at an enormous expense, and imported from New York to join the original and popular SAN FRANCISCO MINSTRELS:
Mr W BURCH, alias Brudder Bones, the talented and versatile Ethiopian Commedien, who has been acknowledged by the most discriminating audiences, in all the principal States of the Union to be the very 'ne plus ultra' of Ethiopian delineators;
Mr S A WELLS, Primo Basso whose long connection with the profession, and the well known popularity of his style and conception of the negro character insures a sufficient guarantee of his superior ability to please;
C HENRY, the elegant and pleasing Ballad Singer, who stands alone in the rendering of those pleasing songs which have been the theme of universal admiration;
MAX ZORER, "The Jenny Lind of Ethiopia," whose warblings and imitations of Jenny Lind the Nightengale, Miss Louise Pyne, and the various Prima Donnas of the day, has struck all listeners with wonder and delight;
Mr E DEAVES, the Baritone and Buffo Singer, and celebrated Ethiopian performer.
B M HOOLEY, the talented Leader, Violinist and Concertina performer, his first appearance in three months—all of whom have been lately connected with the original Geo. Christy and Woods' Minstrels, New York, will have the honor of appearing in conjunction with Messrs EPH HORN, the "old and tried" San Francisco Favorite; JOHN SMITH, the talented author and old plantation negro delineator; G. COES, the talented Banjoist; M. LOTHIAN, W D CORRISTER, etc.
Box open from 10 o'clock A M to 4 o'clock P M, when seats can be secured.
Children in arms not admitted.

PRICES OF ADMISSION:

Dress Circle	$1 00
Parquette	50
Boxes and Orchestra Seats	$3 00

Doors open at 6½ o'clock; Curtain raises at 7½ o'clock.

MISCELLANEOUS.

Exchange and Banking Notice.

SAN FRANCISCO, January 1st, 1856.
The undersigned have entered into co-partnership for the purpose of transacting a Legitimate Exchange and Banking Business, under the name and style of
Garrison, Morgan, Fretz & Ralston,
In this city, and CHARLES MORGAN & CO. in New York.
The cash capital paid in is seven hundred thousand dollars. ($700,000.)
An amount will be kept in the Manhattan Bank, New York, at all times, to cover our bills in case of loss of any shipment of Treasure.
We are now prepared to sell Sight Exchange on the Manhattan Bank or Charles Morgan & Co., New York; also on the Manhattan Bank, made payable viz: at the Southern Bank, New Orleans, La.; Messrs. Darby & Barksdale, Bankers, St. Louis, Mo.; Southern Bank of Kentucky, Louisville, Ky.; Ohio Life Insurance and Trust Co.: Cincinnatti, Ohio; Merchants and Manufacturers Bank Pittsburgh, Pa; to purchase Gold Dust, Bars, Bullion, Mint and Bank Certificates, approved securities, make collections, and to transact all matters pertaining to our business, on the most liberal terms.
C. K. GARRISON,
CHARLES MORGAN,
By his Att'y, C. K Garrison.
R. S. FRETZ,
W. C. RALSTON.
jan19-3m

Joseph C. Palmer, Charles W Cook, — George W. Wright, Edward Jones.

PALMER, COOK & CO.,

BANKERS,
Corner Washington and Kearny sts, fronting the Plaza,
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Buy and Sell Exchange on all the Principal Eastern cities. Bullion Certificates of Deposite, etc. bought at the highest market rates. Collections made and money transmitted, and all business connected with banking, transacted.
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L W SLOAT.
Notary Public under the law of 1853 &c.
No 129 Montgomery street, over Messrs. Sanders & Brenham's Banking House. a7

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Fire, Life, and Marine Insurance

AGENT.
OFFICE—Montgomery street, one door south of Commercial over Parrott & Co's Banking House.
IS now prepared to effect Insurances against loss or damage by fire, on brik or stone buildings of every description, and on goods stocks and furniture therein; also on detached plastered wooden dwellings, and contents, in the following New York companies:

Market Fire Insurance Co.	Capital	$200 000
Excelsior	"	230.000
Lafarge	"	150.000
Harmony	"	150,000
Williamsburg City	"	150.000
		$850.000
With a surplus, amounting in the agregate to		150.000
		$1 000 000

At the lowest rates of premium ever offered in San Francisco.

All Losses Promptly Settled Here.

Manhattan Life Insurance Co.	Capital	$100 000
Additional assets		223 000
		$323 000

N. D. MORGAN Pres't. C. Y. WEMPLE Sec'y.
Dr Jacob M Tewksbury, Examining Physician, San Francisco.
Mercantile Mutual Marine Ins. Co. assets over $1 000,000
ELLWOOD WALKER, Pres't. W. V HUTCHINGS Sec'y.
Applications received for Insurance on vessels, merchandise and freights to any amount. Jan 12—tf

FOR SALE.

BOND & CO. having made arrangements for the extension of their Baking Establishment into an
Ice Cream and Refreshment Saloon,
For the accommodation of the up-town public, from the 1st of January, 1856, which will require their sole attention, offer for sale the entire outside business of their establishment, together with one Horse and Wagon. To any person with a small capital this offers a fine inducement. The business comprises an extensive route of good paying customers, and will be sold at a fair price. Apply at
BOND'S BAKERY,
de22-3m Stockton st.

Winn's Fountain Head,

CLAY STREET, OPPOSITE THE PLAZA

Search the city, North, South, East or West, WINN'S 'FOUNTAIN HEAD' Saloon's by far the best; You not only find a sumptous bill of fare, But your eyes also will be feasted there— Rich Turkey carpets, soft as downy swan, Glowing like sunset clouds, your feet rests on; While costly draperies in gay festoons, Give an air of elegance to Winn's Saloon You look in vain for if you go elsewhere— Besides, you take your ease in rosewood chair, With crimson velvet cushions, or on sofas rare; Italian marble tables, polished fine, Invite the hungry to sit down and dine Or sup—or in the morning break their fast; But whether it is morn or night, a rich repast Awaits the visitors, subject to their call; [them all And whether five or five hundred, "Winn" can serve Fine venison steaks, done up in Winn's best style, That would from epicurian force a smile; Oysters serv'd up in all ways you can name; All kinds of fowls, the wild as well as tame, Ducks, geese and partridges, fine fat snipe and teal; Choice mutton chops, beef steak and tender veal Fish of all kinds served up to suit the guest, For each one knows which way fish suits him best; Soups of all grades, from turtle down to pea, But all as good as any soup can be; Eggs, Ham and Cutlets—but it would be no boast To say no Restaurant on the Pacific coast Can with "Winn's Fountain Head" at all compare. If you doubt it, call in and try his bill of fare Winn's Pastry can't be match'd, and his Creams Are so superior that it almost seems Impossible such could be made by human hands, But came direct from fabled fairy lands. For the Christmas Holidays for girls and boys, Winn will have ready a thousand sugar toys, Of every kind intended to delight The prattlers hearts and wind their joyous sight. Let every man and woman who this may read, Be sure to visit Winn at the "Fountain Head," Whose cook stands always ready to prepare The choicest dishes ever named on Bill of Fare de 5 tf

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PATENT MEDICINES
CAN BE OBTAINED
AT LITTLE'S
Family Medicine Store,
137 MONTGOMERY STREET,
NEAR CLAY.
AT LOWER PRICES,
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REMEMBER THE PLACE,
LITTLE'S, 137 Montgomery st.,
Between Clay and Commercial.

We import all our Medicines direct from the makers, and hold ourselves personally responsible for the genuineness of every article we sell. jan26 tf

MUSICAL NOTICE.

Germania Concert Society.

At the request of many former patrons, the members of the Germania Concert will give a series of Six Subscription Concerts, at Musical Hall, In a new and superior style never surpassed in this country.
The Society, having received a large supply of new and superb MUSIC, have secured the first musical talent in the country to insure the best execution possible.
These Concerts will take place upon week-day evenings, to accommodate all lovers of fine music.
The Orchestra will consist of twenty-five or thirty of the best musicians in the State.
Subscription Lists will be left at the different book and music stores for those who may wish to subscribe to these Concerts.
The subscription price for the six concerts will be five dollars. Due notice will be given of the commencement.
C. KOPPITZ, President,
A. HILDEBRAND, Sec'y,
Of the Germania Concert Society.
jan24

New Smyrna Raisins—100 Boxes—Selling less than Malaga, and much superior for pies, &c.
no10 BRADSHAW & CO.

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HOLIDAY PRESENTS.

TOYS! TOYS! AND FANCY ARTICLES
—AT—
Santa Claus Headquarters.

WHOLESALE AND RETAIL.

French Propellers,	American Velocipedes,
Fancy Carriages,	Willow Cabs,
Rocking Horses,	Baby Jumpers,
Music Boxes,	Bird Organs,
Fancy Baskets,	Nursery Baskets,
Magic Lanterns,	Dissected Maps,
Fancy Dusters,	Bird Cages,
Swords,	Guns,
Pistols,	Drums,
Grace Hoops,	Battledoors,
Lotos,	Fancy Cradles,
Ladies' Cabas,	Gents' Companions,
Writing Desks,	Inlaid Boxes,
Porte Folios,	Port Mennaies,
Backgammon Boards,	Mantle Vases,
Mechanical Figures,	Menageries,
Marble Links,	Marble Bureaus,
Book Cases,	Wheelbarrows,
Chessmen,	Tin Kitchens,
Musical Instruments,	Violin Strings,

Dolls, dressed and undressed, from half an inch to four feet in length; of Wax China, Rubber, etc.
BOX TOYS.
Farms, Villages, Furniture, etc.
TEA AND COFFEE SETS.
China, Britannia, Wood.
Games of all kinds, Japanese Goods at cost.
Ladies and Gents will not forget the place, Stockton st. near Jackson.
de15 3m A. KOHLER

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AGENCY,
NO. 106 MONTGOMERY STREET.
The Liverpool and London
FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY,
Capital.....$10,000,000

Insurance against Loss by Fire in all parts of California, effected upon
Stores, Merchandise, Dwellings, Furniture.
Claims will be paid by the undersigned so soon as the amount of loss is ascertained, without the sixty day's delay exacted by American policies.
The Mercantile Mutual Insurance Company.
The Orient Mutual Insurance Company.
The Pacific Mutual Insurance Company.
The undersigned have full powers from the above eminent Companies of New York to insure
VESSELS,
CARGOES,
FREIGHT,
To and from all parts of the globe upon the most favorable terms.
The long experience of the subscribers in the practice of Fire and Marine Insurance, their presence upon the spot to settle losses, and the high character of the Companies represented, enable us to furnish superior facilities and more satisfactory guarantees than can be found elsewhere.
General Averages adjusted. Particular losses stated and claims for losses prepared and collected.
J. P. & R. S. HAVEN.

J. P. HAVEN,

Proctor and Advocate in Admiralty,
Commissioner for Pennsylvania and Louisiana.

R. S. HAVEN,

Notary Public and Conveyancer,
Protests extended, and all Commercial and Marine Writings Drawn. jan26 tf

The Continental Insurance Co.

NEW YORK.
OFFICE—NO. 14 WALL STREET.
Has a Cash Capital of $500,000, and will insure buildings, merchandise and personal property against loss or damage by fire.
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Daniel Burgess,	Pelegg Hull,
Joseph Battell,	Sheppard Gandy,
Thomas Tileston,	Lowell Holbrook,
Wilson G Hunt,	Chas M Connolly,
Horace B Claflin,	Geo S Stephenson,
C F Dambmann,	Aurelius B Hull,
J W Patterson,	Hiram Barney,
J H Ransom,	C A Avery,
Robert McCurdy,	Wm W Stone,
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B Johnson	GEO. T. HOPE, Secretary.

The undersigned issues authorized Policies of the above company, against loss or damage by fire on brick building and merchandise stored in such buildings, and at reduced rates.
C. ADOLPHE LOW,
ja26-tf 30 Front street.

REVOLUTION

—AMONG—
THE HATTERS!
Originality Claimed by Imitation!
BLOWING WITHOUT A HORN!!
REDUCTION OF PRICES!
Vice-Versa—Statement of Facts!

Being to our interest, as well as to the interest of the public in toto we wish all men to know, that by late arrangements, effected by our house in Germany with the best manufactories in France, we are enabled to sell henceforth every article in our line from 20 to 25 per cent less than formerly. We are receiving by every steamer the latest Parisian and New York styles by every sailing vessel from Havre, large supplies of French and German Cassimere Hats, in all styles and shades of color; as also Hatters' Stock for manufacturing purposes which we offer at
Wholesale and Retail,
25 per cent. less than can be purchased elsewhere.
Those not being particular about ONE OUNCE OF WEIGHT, more or less, on their heads can also be supplied with a Daguerreotypr.
Our MOLE HATS, in regard to lightness, brilliancy and durability are such as to make us feel safe, and smile at competition.
Please every one and all—
Our motto;—give us a call,
At MEUSSDORFFER'S
de8 3m 165 Commercial street, Between Kearny and Montgomery.

NEW YORK BAKERY,

KEARNY ST., NEAR CLAY.
The above establishment is now greatly enlarged and improved by the addition of what was formerly known as "Winn's Fountain Head." Having been newly fitted up for the accommodation of ladies and gentlemen, they are now prepared to serve Steaks, Chops and Meats of all kinds in the best manner, and at prices to suit the times. The Baking Department is likewise conducted on an enlarged scale, to meet the increased demand. All making Christmas and New Year's Presents, are especially invited to give us a call on account of the great reduction in prices.
Fruit and Pound Cake Iced and Ornamented in the very best style. KAUCH & THOMPSON,
de29-tf Proprietors.

MISCELLANEOUS.

WATCHES, JEWELRY!

—AND—
DIAMOND WORK,
At New York Prices,
Every article guaranteed as represented, by
BRIGGS, DEY & CO.,
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NEW YORK BAKERY

—AND—
Coffee Saloon,

160 and 162 KEARNY STREET,
between Commercial and Clay.
KAUCE & THOMPSON.....Proprietors

BILL OF FARE.

SOUPS.			
Oyster	12	Mutton Broth	12
FISH.			
Boiled Bass	12	Baked Salmon	12
BOILED.			
Mutton, Caper sauce	25	Corned Beef & cabbage	12
Ham	12	Pork	12
ROASTS.			
Teef	12	Turkey	50
Veal	12	Geese	25
Pork	12	Duck	25
Mutton	12		
ENTREES.			
Baked Pork & Beans	12	Stewed Tripe	12
Baked Beef steak pie	12	Beef Hash	12
Veal Pot Pie	12	Fish Balls	12
VEGETABLES.			
Potatoes Fried, Baked, Boiled and Mashed			12
Turnips mashed	12	Cabbage	12
Onions Fried	12		
PUDDINGS.			
Bread	12	Plum	12
Rice	12		
PIES.			
Mince	12	Cherry	12
Apple	12	Rhubarb	12
Peach	12	Pumpkin	12
Plum	12	Custard	12
Whortleberry	12	Cup Custard	12
Gooseberry	12	Tarts	12
CAKES.			
Plain Pound Cake	12	Boston Cream Cake	22
Jelly Cake	12	Macaroons	12
Cup Cake	12	Ladies' Fingers	12
Domestic Cake	12	Sponge Cake	12
Jumbles	12	Lady Cake	12
Sugar Cake	12	Citron Cake	12
Ginger Nuts	12	Currant Cake	12
Mo asses Pound Cake	12	Ginger Snaps	12
Dough Nuts	12	Crullers	12
BREAD, ROLLS, ETC.			
Hot English Muffins			25
Hot Waffles			25
Breakfast Rolls	12	Bread and Milk	12
French do	12	Mush and Milk	12
Tea Biscuit	12	Plate of Mush	12
Brown Bread	12	Graham Bread	12
Wheat do	12	Soda Biscuit	12
Coffee, Tea or Chocolate			12
TO ORDER.			
Porter House Steak	50	Ham and Eggs	37
Tender Loin	37	Omelette	25
Beef steak plain	25	Eggs, boil'd or fried each	12
Pork do do	25	Oyster stew	50
Veal Cutlet	25	Oyster fritters	50
Mutton Chop	25	Buckwheat Cakes	12
Sausage fried	25	Brown Bread Toast	12
Liver sausage	12	Graham Toast	12
Ham broiled or fried	12	Dipped do	12
Tripe fried	25	Milk do	12
Mackerel boiled or broil'd	25	Dry do	12
Fried mush	12		

N. B.—Breakfast Rolls, Tea Biscuit, or White or Graham Bread will be given with a cup of tea or coffee, without extra charge.
Also, Potatoes and Bread with Steaks and Roast Meats, without extra charge jan5-tf

REMOVAL.

WM. H. BOVEE & CO.

Have removed to their new building,
No. 123 Front Street, Corner of Oregon.
Costa Rica Coffee; Old Gov. Java, 50lb mats; Rio Coffee; Green Java Coffee, 50lb mats; Manilla Coffee, 5 lb mats; Pepper; Allspice; Cinnamon; Ginger; California Mustard; Cloves; Mace, fresh ground, in jib glass; Also Nutmegs, Cassia in mat, and all kinds of Spices in the grain.
For sale by WM. H. BOVEE & CO.
jan-tf 123 Front st. corner Oregon.

STILL TAKES THE LEAD!

R. H. Vance

Has by the superiority of his Daguerreotypes again received the
FIRST PREMIUM
Awarded by the California State Fair,
Being the second time received
AGAINST ALL COMPETITORS!
Although some Daguerreans have the audacity to call their room First Premium Rooms.
He has lately made such improvements in his operating rooms, arrangement of light, etc., as will enable him to still keep the station he now holds—"AHEAD."
Mr. Vance has FOUR IMPROVED LIGHTS all of different arrangements, which enables him to suit the light to the features and complexions of all, and gives him facilities which no other artist in the United States possesses, especially in taking Groups and Children's Likenesses.—He has also secured the services of one of the
Best Photographers in the World!
And is now fully prepared to take Pictures on Glass or Paper, or Views, in any part of the city, in a manner that cannot be excelled by any.
Rooms corner of Sacramento and Montgomery Sts.
jan26 tf

Corn Starch Farina—200 Cases, just received and for sale by no10 BRADSHAW & CO.

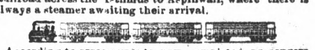
OCEAN STEAMSHIPS, &c

Pacific Mail Steamship Co's Line

FOR NEW YORK AND NEW ORLEANS
VIA PANAMA.
DEPARTURE FROM VALLEJO STREET WHARF.

The favorite steamship
SONORA,
3000 Tons .....R. K. WHITING, Commander
Will leave with the U. S. Mails, Passengers and Treasure for Panama,
On Wednesday .....February 20th
AT 9 O'CLOCK, A. M.

Passengers by this line are landed on their arrival at Panama upon the Wharf at the Railroad terminus, by the Company's Steam Ferry Boat, and proceed immediately by Railroad across the Isthmus to Aspinwall, where there is always a steamer awaiting their arrival.



According to arrangements now completed, passengers arriving at Panama in the morning, invariably leave Aspinwall for New York and New Orleans in the afternoon of the same day, thus affording regularity in the through trips, and a safe, pleasant and expeditious transit from Ocean to Ocean.

THROUGH TICKETS
Are furnished, including the transit of the Isthmus.
Treasure for shipment will be received on board the steamer until 10 o'clock P. M Tuesday, February 19th.
For freight or passage apply to
FORBES & BABCOCK, Agents,
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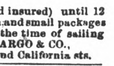
Nicaragua Steamship Co's Line

FOR NEW YORK AND NEW ORLEANS
VIA SAN JUAN.
THROUGH AHEAD OF THE MAILS.
Shortest, Quickest & Healthiest Route!
ONLY 12 MILES LAND CARRIAGE,



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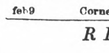

The well known and popular steamship
UNCLE SAM,
L. MILLS.....Commander
Will sail from JACKSON STREET WAARF, for San Juan del Sud, touching at MANZANILLO,
On Wednesday .....February 20th,
AT 9 O'CLOCK, A. M.

Connecting on the Atlantic with the magnificent steamship Northern Light, for New York.
Passengers by this line are conveyed from the Atlantic side, where steamers are always awaiting their arrival, direct to New York or New Orleans, without touching or transhipping at any intermediate port, and the route being
700 Miles Shorter than any other,
The trip through to New York is generally made in less than twenty one days.
The Isthmus Transit is now in excellent order no delay attending the rapid transit of the passengers, and the Isthmus being now controlled by the Americans in Nicaragua, the crossing is made with unusual safety and speed. The Transit Company have lately made many improvements on the Isthmus, which greatly facilitate the comfort of passengers, and the route was never before in a more healthy condition.
THROUGH TICKETS FURNISHED,
Including the transit of the Isthmus.
Passengers are at no expense upon the Isthmus, except the usual charge for extra baggage, and the cost of their meals while crossing.
Treasure for shipment received at the Company's office until 6 A M of day of sailing.
For freight or passage apply to
C. K. GARRISON, Agent.
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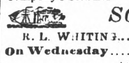
WELLS, FARGO & CO'S EXPRESS NOTICE.

For the Steamer of February 20th, 1856.

Via Panama.

Our next Regular Express for the Atlantic States and Europe, will be dispatched by the Pacific Mail Steamship Company's Steamer



SONORA.

R. L. WHITING.....Commander
On Wednesday.....February 20th
At 9 o'clock, A. M.
In Charge of a Special Messenger.

Treasure received for shipment (and insured) until 12 o'clock on Tuesday night, February 19th, and small packages and parcels received until one hour of time of sailing.
EXCHANGE drawn on most of the principal cities and towns in the Atlantic States.
WELLS FARGO & CO.,
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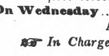

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WELLS, FARGO & CO.,
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REMOVAL.

WILLIAM G. BADGER

HAS REMOVED
To 109 BATTERY, corner Merchant Street,
Being the store formerly occupied by Messrs. WYKOFF & CO. and only one second door above his former location. Having a very extensive stock of
DESIRABLE CLOTHING,
He would invite the city and country trade to call and examine.
WM. G. BADGER,
Importer and Jobber of Clothing,
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AT LITTLE'S
PHYSICIANS' PRESCRIPTIONS

Are very Carefully and Accurately
PREPARED,
From the freshest and best quality of Medicines, at
ONE HALF THE PRICE
Usually charged by Apothecaries.

This establishment is conducted by the oldest and most experienced apothecary in the State, and every article of medicine which we prepare or offer for sale, we guarantee to be fully equal to that of any establishment in the world.
Our large and increasing trade keeps our stock constantly changing, and we are thereby enabled to offer our patrons medicines of all kinds, FRESHLY prepared, and of the latest importations. This is an
Important Fact,
And a matter of deep interest to the sick. Medicines to be good MUST BE FRESHLY PREPARED; and in choosing your apothecary, select one who does a good business.
IF YOU WANT A GOOD ARTICLE,
GO TO LITTLE'S
Is an expression as familiar in San Francisco as "household words," which has been fairly acquired by constant and unremitted efforts to excel during five years business in this city.
LITTLE & CO.,
Apothecaries and Practical Chemists,
137 Montgomery Street,
jan26-tf Between Clay and Commercial

BOND'S BAKERY.

BOND & CO.,
Would respectfully call the attention of the public to their establishment during the coming Holidays. They are now prepared to furnish a most elegant variety of
ORNAMENTAL CAKES,
And every other article in their line for the New Year's table. Ladies Give us a Call.
BOND & CO.,
395 Stockton street, between

ECCENTRICITIES OF COSTUME.—There is no part of our costume, either male or female, which has not already passed from one extreme of absurdity to another, and been most admired at its highest point. Coats have been worn with voluminous skirts dangling about the wearer's heels, and with scanty lappels decending six inches below the waist. Coat-sleeves at one time fitted skin-tight; and more than once have been so wide as to sweep the ground. Flapped waistcoats which in the time of George I. reached nearly to the stocking, were soon cut so short as to be nearer the armpits than the thigh. The close-fitting, tightly-strapped trouser contrasts ludicrously enough with the trunk-hose of the sixteenth century, stuffed out with five or six pounds of bran to such an extent that as a Harleian manuscript tells us, alterations had to be made in the Parliament House, so as to afford additional accommodation for the member's seat. It is related that a fast man of the time, on rising to conclude a visit of ceremony, had the misfortune to damage his nether integuments by a protruding nail in his chair—so that by the time he gained the door the escape of bran was so rapid as to cause a collapse. It may have been that similar mishaps caused the substitution of wool or hair for bran, which afterwards became common. Holmes, in his 'Notes on Dress,' says: A law was made against such as did stuffe their 'bryches' to make them stand out; whereas, when a certain prisoner (in these tymes) was accused of wearing such bryches contrary to law, he began to excuse himself of the offence, and endeavored little by little to discharge himself of that which he did weare within them. He drew out a pair of sheets, two table cloths, ten napkins, four skirts, a brush, a glass, a comb, and night caps, and other things of use, saying: 'Your lordship may understand that because I have no safer storehouse, these pockets do serve me for a room to lay my goods in; and though it be a strait prison, yet it is a store house big enough for them—for I have many things more yet of value within them.' And so his discharge accepted and well laughed at.'

STEAM FIRE ENGINES.—We have received from Mr. Baddeley, says Frank Leslie's Pictorial, a letter impugning the statement in the Illustrated London News of Nov. 24, that the Cincinnati Steam Fire-engine is 'the only one in the world. Mr. Baddeley states that, in the year 1829, Mr. John Braithwaite constructed a steam fire-engine of about six-horse power, which came into public operation at the burning of the Argyll Rooms, in February 1830, where its peformances gave great satisfaction—the quantity of water delivered, the height to which it was thrown, and the continuity of its performances, contrasting favorably with those of the hand-worked engines. This engine ran out to many subsequent fires; among others, that which occurred in Messrs. Barclay and Co's brewery, in May, 1832, where it earned for itself great celebrity. Mr. Braithwaite had previously built a steam fire-engine of ten-horse power, which was sent to the Docks at Liverpool, but was not much used. In 1832 Mr. Braithwaite completed a third steam fire-engine named the 'comet,' for the Prussian Government which is now at Berlin. Unlike the American engine, Mr. Braithwaite's were remarkable for their light and elegant appearance; they were superior also in their performances, and cost but half the money. In 1852 the London Fire Insurance Companies applied this agent to a floating fire-engine on the river Thames, which has rendered most essential service at many large water-side fires. Very recently a second steam floating fire-engine (by Mr. James Shand) has been placed on the river, at least three times as powerful as the American, being capable of working up to 100-horse-power. Mr. Baddeley concludes thus:—'The Cincinnati steam fire-engine therefore, is not the *first* machine of the kind, neither is it the *only one* in the world.'

THE LEANING TOWER AT PISA.—The Leaning Tower was still there, and it certainly leans more or at least, more appreciably, than the pictures represent. This curiosity of architecture is, perhaps, better known than any other to persons who never travelled; and yet, not one out of a hundred, to whom the Leaning Tower of Pisa is familiar by name, can tell for what purpose it was built. It is nothing in the world but the belfry of the Cathedral, by whose side it stands, and from which it is separated by a road. The ancient system was to make two separate constructions of the church and the bell tower The moderns have improved upon this plan by clapping the spire on the top of the edifice to which it belongs. The whole mission of the tall Campanile of Pisa is accomplished when a couple of ropes are carried up by it to the chime which swings at the summit. It is hollow and cylindrical, the walls being just thick enough to admit of a winding staircase. The top is as dangerous a place as I ever remember to have seen, and I doubt whether a person disposed to giddiness could get safely round the exterior edge, unprotected as it is by railing or balustrade.

BOGUS INSURANCE COMPANIES.—By law, all the Insurance Companies of the State of New York, and foreign companies doing business there, must report their state and condition to the Comptroller on the 31st day of every December. Failing to report, is to cry *peccavi*! dead, broke! And the Comptroller acting as a sort of State undertaker, is expected to bury their defunct bodies as soon thereafter as possible. Last year some twenty of the companies hatched under our General Law, had found December too cold for them, and were gi'n in as dead. This year the fatality has been more marked, and the list of dead will rival the melancholy bulletins sent out from under the walls of Sebastopol during the late siege.

The *Boston Despatch* speaking of a fire that occured in the Brattle street church says:

One circumstance could not have failed to strike the attention of those present. Every door of the Sanctuary was locked, not a living soul was within the edifice, no sexton tugged at the bell-rope, yet the loud-tongued bell in the steeple, faithful to the touch of the manager of the Fire Alarm Telegraph, warned the people, far and wide of the destruction which threatened the structure below.

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THE BRITISH
COMMERCIAL LIFE INSURANCE CO
London and New York—Established in 1820.

Capital..... .....$3,000,000.
Policies Issued in San Francisco, at 1 per cent. ex. Premium.

The Board of Directors have granted powers to the undersigned, by which parties Insured in this office may have full permission to travel throughout California, to visit the States at all seasons, or to proceed either to Europe or Asia, at exceedingly liberal rates Also to assume $10,000 on any good risk
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General Agent for California,
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THE NATIONAL LOAN FUND LIFE ASSURANCE SOCIETY, of London and New York
THE ÆTNA LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY,
Of Connecticut.
Agency for California—
ARTHUR B STOUT. M D. Agent.
No. 240 Washington street.
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Imperial Fire Insurance Co.,
LONDON.
ESTABLISHED IN 1803.
Cash Capital ($8,000,000) Eight Millions.

Having been appointed Agents in California for the above old established Company, the undersigned are desirous of drawing public attention to the superior advantages afforded by insuring in this office. These arise from the fact that the Agents of this Company are vested with full powers to grant policies, and to settle losses at once, and without being obliged to forward the papers to England for approval.
The Imperial Fire Insurance Company, having for many years had Agencies established in India, China, Manilla, etc., have had great experience in foreign business, and the instructions received from the Head Office evince a spirit of liberality which will be appreciated by the inhabitan of San Francisco
The undersigned will be happy to supply insurers with full particulars, upon application at their office
FAULKNER, BELL & CO.,
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Monarch Fire Assurance Co.,
OF LONDON.
Office of San Francisco Agency, 126 California Street.

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[Held by Trustees in New York to meet Losses.]

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Brick and Stone Buildings, Merchandise, Ships in Port, Household Furniture and Personal Property generally Insured on favorble terms. Insurance also effected on Buildings and Merchandise in Sacramento, Marysville and Stockton.
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FOR FIRE AND LIFE.

CAPITAL,.....$6,000,000.
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IN THE OLD VIGILANCE COMMITTEE ROOMS, BATTERY STREET.
THIS ESTABLISHMENT presents every attraction, with various exercises for restoring health, strength, and cheerfulness, and the development of the muscles of the human frame. Gentlemen of sedentary habits, invalids who have lost confidence in the efficacy of medicine, and those who desire to enjoy good health, and to acquire an erect, well-rounded and powerful figure, will find all the exercises in the Gymnasium necessary for the same which are explained and taught the pupils by the Proprietor, who is present to give instructions at all hours. The rooms are open from six in the morning to ten o'clock in the evening.
Terms to Gymnasium with Shower Bath, $8 per month without Bath. $5 p r month.
Boxing Lessons separate.
Boxing Gloves of the best quality made and for sale by the Proprietor.
se29 tf FRANK WHEELER.

483 ROLLS CHEAP ASSORTED
Carpets,
EX ALBONI AND GALATEA.

150 Pieces Bay State and English Druggetts
500 rolls Floor Oil Cloth, new styles assorted;
250 cases Cheap Paper Hangings;
400 rolls Matting—4 4 5-4 and 6 4, checked.
For sale at the lowest wholesale rates Dealers are requested to examine these goods before making their selections elsewhere, as this stock must be closed off to make room for shipments overdue
FRANK BAKER,
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Tin, Copper, and Sheet-Iron Workers,
And dealers in Stoves, Parlor Grates, Lead Pipe, Lift and Force Pumps, Leather Hose, Brass Faucets, Stop-Cocks, Couplings &c Sheet Iron, Tin Plate, Copper, Bar Lead, Solder. And a full assortment of all kinds. Particular attention paid to JOBBING, of all kinds. Having always on hand the best of workman.
je23 141 Washington street.

Joseph W. Reay. James Johnston
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TIN, COPPER, & SHEET-IRON WORKERS,
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House and Ship Plumbing, and Metallic Roofing in all its variety, done with neatness and dispatch. Arteshan Well Pipes made to order. Constantly on hand, a large assortment of Pumps, Lead Pipe, Stoves, Stove Pipe, Tin-Ware, etc., etc., wholesale and retail 28-3m

Woodbury & Co.,
General Agency and Employment Office.
The Young Men's Christian Association, with a view to protect the unwary from imposition, have authorized the undersigned to open an Employment Office, under their supervision. Our rooms will be found adjacent to the Rooms of the Association, and over the present Post Office.
Situations of all kinds for females furnished. Private families furnished with the best of help Free of Charge.
Orders from the country promptly attended to. Persons leaving orders with us to be filled, should NOT MISTAKE THE ENTRANCE TO OUR OFFICE, it is the Brick Building over the Post Office.
Find Employment for all kinds of help, House Servants, Cooks, Seamstresses, Grooms, Coachmen, Farm Hands, Day Laborers, Mechanics, Clerks, etc.
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All business entrusted to our care will receive prompt attention.
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New York Furniture
GREAT INDUCEMENT TO BUY
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HAVE RECENTLY CONNECTED THEIR House with one of the OLDEST and BEST manufacturing establishments in New York city, who are constantly supplying them by every clipper with every style and quality of the choicest kinds of
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As we manufacture our own goods, we are able to offer to our patrons a saving of one profit of at least from 10 to 20 per cent.
And also warrant entire satisfaction as regards durability and price, as we are offering goods from
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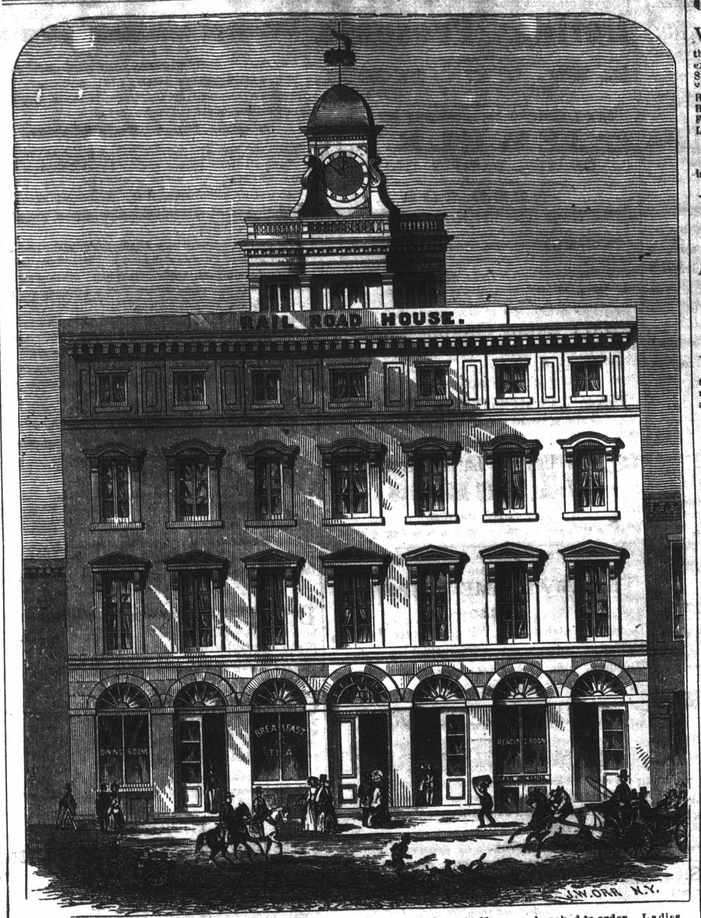

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Bean..... 12 | Clam..... 25
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Bass, Anchovy sauce,..... 12 | Tom Cods fried..... 12
Salt Codfish boiled..... 12 | Smelts fried..... 12
Salt Mackerel boiled..... 12 | Salmon..... 12
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Lamb, " " ..... 12 | Mutton and turnips..... 12
Corn'd Beef & Cabbage..... 12 | Rabbitt, parsley sauce..... 25
" Pork ..... 12 | Cod Ham..... 12
Mutton caper sauce, ... 25 | Calves Head, brain sauce, 12
ROASTS.
Beef..... 12 | Turkey..... 50
Veal..... 12 | Chicken 50
Pork..... 13 | Mutton stuffed a la jar-
Duck ..... 37 | diniere 25
Teal..... 50 | Lamb do do 25
Goose..... 37 | Pig..... 12
Brant ..... 37 | Mutton 12
Venison, Cranberry sauce..... 25
Beef, sirloin roast and jelly, ... 25
Vegetables of all kinds..... 12
ENTREES.
Broiled Chicken..... 75 | Chicken Pie..... 37
do Quail..... 50 | do Pot Pie..... 37
Chicken Fricassee..... 50 | Beef Steak Pie,..... 12
Chicken Curry & Rice ..... 37 | Veal Pot Pie,..... 12
Lamb and Peas,..... 25 | Kidney Pie 25
Salmi Duck..... 25 | Rabbit Pie..... 25
Game Pie..... 25 | Bird Pie..... 25
Oysters fried..... 5 | Giblet Pie..... 25
Salmon baked..... 12 | Game Pie..... 25
Corn & Beans baked ..... 12 | Rabbit Fricassee..... 25
Pigs Head stewed..... 12 | Kidney stewed..... 25
Smothered Duck & onions. 25 | Beef Tongue & Tomato's. 25
ENTREES.
Stewed Birds ..... 25 | Calves Head..... 12
Stewed Giblets..... 25 | Calves Head Hash..... 12
Potted Pigeon..... 25 | Calves Feet fricasseed.... 12
Pork and Beans..... 12 | Pigs Head & spinage 12
Corn'd Beef & parsnips,... 12 | Pigs Head and parsnips... 12
Bacon & spinage. .. .. 12 | Brain Fritters..... 12
Lamb's Heart and Tomatoes ..... 12 | String Beans..... 12
Beef stewed and onions..... 12 | Sweet Potatoes..... 12
PUDDINGS.
Bread ..... 12 | Indian... 12
Rice ..... 12 | N Y Plum 12
Tapioca..... 12 | Plum..... 12
Suet ..... 12 | Apple Dumplings 12
Railroad..... 12
PIES.
Cranberry or Gooseberry.. 12 | Green Apple,..... 12
Cherry or Quince..... 12 | Green Rhubarb,..... 12
Peach or Plum..... 1 | Mince 12
Fruit. ..... 12 | Apple..... 12
California Peach, ... 12 | Custard or Squash..... 12
Cup Custard, ... 12
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Steak, Venison..... 25 | Fish fried..... 12
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Tripe in batter..... 25 | Veal stewed..... 12
Tripe broiled..... 25 | Mutton stewed..... 12
Salmon broiled..... 25 | Pork Sausages..... 25
Ham and Eggs..... 37 | Fish Balls..... 12
Eggs poached..... 25 | Beef Hash..... 12
Omelette ..... 12 | Pigs Feet soused..... 25
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